

REMARKS

The within amendments and remarks are in response to the Office Action dated June 15, 2004, and the Advisory Action dated October 28, 2004.

In light of the Examiner's prior indication that the subject matter of dependant claims 14-20 are allowable, the subject matter of such claims is identically presented herein. See Office Action, January 2, 2004, ¶5.

Claims 2 and 5-9, which were previously dependant upon claim 1, have also been amended to now depend on claim 14. Applicant has left these claims dependant upon a higher-numbered claim, instead of renumbering the claims, for the Examiner's ease of understanding.

Applicant thanks the Examiner's for acknowledging that claims 21-33 recite allowable subject matter. Applicant has amended claim 21 to remove the "the" from before "selected product or class" in the last line of the claim. With respect to the remaining objections to claim 21, Applicant notes:

- There is no "the" before "instructions": "a processor capable of executing actions in response to program instructions".
- The "the" before "actions" refers to an antecedent: "a processor capable of executing actions in response to program instructions, the actions including:"

Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw the outstanding rejection of the claims and to pass this application to issue.

If, however, for any reason the Examiner does not believe that such action can be taken at this time, it is respectfully requested that he telephone applicant's attorney at (908) 654-5000 in order to overcome any additional objections which he might have.

If there are any additional charges in connection with this requested amendment, the Examiner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 12-1095 therefor.

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Respectfully submitted,

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